

June 3, 2013

RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS RFP 2013-05

ENVIRONMENTAL MITIGATION FOR I-80/I-680/SR 12 INTERCHANGE – PHASE 1 PROJECT

To provide California Red-Legged Frog, Callippe Silverspot Butterfly, and Oak Woodland/Riparian Habitat

This notice is to inform all prospective bidders of the above referenced Request for Proposal (RFP) that the Solano Transportation Authority (STA) is responding to questions posed in response to this RFP. These responses/clarifications shall be considered to be an addendum to the RFP and previously issued Response to Questions, all of which combined shall constitute the entire RFP. Bidders shall consider these responses/clarifications in the proposal and cost proposal. RFP is due by 3PM on June 7, 2013.

Question No. 1:

Will all 282.84 CRLF and CSB credits be purchased and funds released from escrow immediately upon implementation of the Conservation Easement? Based on your recent response to questions, you indicate that the Conservation Easement shall be implemented by Dec. 31, 2013; however, construction is not intended to start until March 2014. Does this mean that while the easement will be signed by the end of 2013, the CRLF and CSB credits will not be needed until the start of construction such that mitigation is provided concurrent with or prior to impacts? If so, please outline the anticipated schedule for actually releasing funds from escrow associated with the CSB and CRLF credits.

Response No. 1:

It is STA's current intent to place a lump sum for the mitigation purchase in escrow upon contract execution and that amount to be released upon close of escrow which will be dependent on obtaining resource agency approval of the mitigation plan by November 30, 2013 and implementation of the Conservation Easement, anticipated to be by December 31, 2013.

Question No. 2:

Will STA accept a proposal with alternative mitigation options to provide flexibility in implementation and in meeting the resource agency's needs?

Response to Question 2:

Proposals shall be based on providing the compensation requirements listed in Table 1 of the RFP. Alternative options for providing mitigation may be considered as long as they provide the compensation requirements listed in Table 1 within the timeframes listed in the RFP and responses to questions and are approved by Caltrans and the resources agencies who have jurisdiction.